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The Honorable Ken Calvert
House of Representatives
2201 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515-0544

Subject: Support for HR 2828

Dear Representative Calvert:

The Contra Costa Water District is pleased to advise you that the Board of Directors has unanimously adopted a position of Support for H.R. 2828, the Water Supply, Reliability, and Environmental Improvement Act, and is committed to working with you and other interests on the improvements that will be needed to move the bill forward.

HR 2828 is an essential measure needed to authorize the CALFED Bay-Delta Program for the next four years. CCWD believes that implementation of the CALFED plan, as defined in the Record of Decision, is essential if California is to meet the challenges it faces in providing reliable, high quality water to the people of the state, while at the same time protecting the environment of the state. HR 2828 provides the programmatic authorization and funding levels needed to keep CALFED moving.

CCWD is especially pleased that HR 2828 recognizes the need for continuous improvement in water quality concurrently with the other CALFED ROD programs. HR 2828 provides the authority needed for Delta drinking water quality improvements to be made at the same time that water supply and other programs are advanced.

CCWD recognizes that refinements are likely to be made in HR 2828 as its advances through the House of Representatives. This District is committed to working with you, Chairman Pombo, and the other members of the Resources Committee in developing HR 2828 consistent with your intent and the CALFED ROD.

Sincerely,

Joseph L. Campbell, President

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